

Program D: Telelearning

Program Authorization: R.S. 17:1961-1968

Program Description

The mission of the Telelearning Program is to provide otherwise unavailable instructional services to schools throughout the state to help students qualify for scholarships and entry to restricted-admissions universities in Louisiana .

The goal of the Telelearning Program is to provide for its participants the faculty, technology, equipment, textbooks, and materials of instruction necessary for such students to be eligible to receive scholarships (i.e., the TOPS program) and to qualify for admissions to restricted-admissions universities in Louisiana where such scholarships and admissions are based upon successful completion of specific courses of study.

The TeleLearning Program provides instructional services to public high schools throughout the State of Louisiana where such instruction would not otherwise be available owing to a lack of funding and/or qualified instructors to teach the courses. The program provides instruction in math, science, foreign languages, the

humanities, and the arts. The bulk of the program's funding is provided in an annual grant by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE). The program does receive a limited State General Fund appropriation which is used chiefly for salaries for the faculty. The program uses a relatively new technology called "audiographics" which connect a teacher to several remote sites using computers and speaker phones over telephone lines. The services provided by the Telelearning Program are not available to students in residence at the Louisiana School.

RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR THE PROGRAM

	ACTUAL 2000-2001	ACT 12 2001-2002	EXISTING 2001-2002	CONTINUATION 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED 2002-2003	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$109,032	\$109,032	\$109,032	\$143,119	\$148,878	\$39,846
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	706,451	800,000	800,000	800,000	1,000,000	200,000
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	0	0	0	0	0	0
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$815,483	\$909,032	\$909,032	\$943,119	\$1,148,878	\$239,846
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Salaries	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Compensation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Related Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional Services	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other Charges	815,483	909,032	909,032	943,119	1,148,878	239,846
Total Acq. & Major Repairs	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$815,483	\$909,032	\$909,032	\$943,119	\$1,148,878	\$239,846
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

SOURCE OF FUNDING

This program is funded with State General Fund and Interagency Transfers. The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education transfers funds to this program from the Louisiana Quality Education [8(g)] fund to finance LSMSA's Telelearning efforts. Additionally the Department of Education is budgeted to transfer funds to LSMSA for the Virtual High School - Algebra on line pilot program. Supplementing the budget is fees generated from various state agencies utilizing telephone bridging equipment.

MAJOR FINANCIAL CHANGES

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL	T.O.	DESCRIPTION
\$109,032	\$909,032	0	ACT 12 FISCAL YEAR 2001-2002
			BA-7 TRANSACTIONS:
\$0	\$0	0	None
\$109,032	\$909,032	0	EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET - December 20, 2001
\$12,270	\$12,270	0	Unclassified State Teacher Merit Increases for FY 2002-2003
\$27,576	\$27,576	0	Other Technical Adjustments - transfer funding for teacher pay raise from Instructional Program
\$0	\$200,000	0	New and Expanded Adjustments - Virtual High School activity - Algebra online Pilot
\$148,878	\$1,148,878	0	TOTAL RECOMMENDED
\$0	\$0	0	LESS GOVERNOR'S SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS
\$148,878	\$1,148,878	0	BASE EXECUTIVE BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003
			SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE:
\$0	\$0	0	None
\$0	\$0	0	TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE
\$148,878	\$1,148,878	0	GRAND TOTAL RECOMMENDED

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

This program does not have funding for Professional Services for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

OTHER CHARGES

\$1,148,878 Telelearning and Virtual High School - Algebra on line pilot - Expenses

\$1,148,878 SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

Interagency Transfers:

This program does not have funding for Interagency Transfers for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

\$1,148,878 TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

This program does not have funding for Acquisitions and Major Repairs for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.